

## BENTON-FRANKLIN DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH

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PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK,	j	RESOLUTION NO. 05-03
APRIL 4 – APRIL 10, 2005	Ī	

WHEREAS, the Washington State Constitution establishes the immediate preservation of public health as one of the first and highest duties of state government; and

WHEREAS, State Law establishes each local board of health shall have supervision over all matters pertaining to the preservation of the life and health of the people within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, population-based public health measures, such as ensuring safe drinking water and safe food, communicable disease control, immunizations, better nutrition, health promotion, and reduction of tobacco addiction have been responsible for most of the dramatic improvements in the health of our population during the past century; and

WHEREAS, our public health system is always working for a safer and healthier population by assisting the community with understanding health issues, protecting people from disease, preparing for public health emergencies, assuring a safe and healthy environment for people, promoting healthy living, and helping people get the health services they need; and

WHEREAS, the continued good health of all Benton and Franklin County residents depends upon the universal availability of a strong public health system;

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:* That the Benton-Franklin District Board of Health proclaims the week of April 4 - 10, 2005, as **Public Health Week** throughout the Benton-Franklin Health District, urging all people, communities and governments to always work for a safer and healthier Benton and Franklin Counties.

Signed this 24th day of March, 2005

Thomas Moak, Chairman District Board of Health

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